

**Instructions for Filing 2007 Nominating Petition and Related Documents:  
See Rules and Regulations of the State Bar, Article II,  
Nomination and Election of Governors**

**1. Members Eligible to Run for a Vacant Seat on the Board**

Any active member of the State Bar who maintains his or her principal office for the practice of law within the State Bar district in which there is a vacancy is eligible to run for a seat on the board.

**2. Term of Office**

Members are elected for three-year terms and assume their offices at the conclusion of the Annual Meeting following the election.

**3. Filing Nominating Petitions**

- a. Only the official petition form, as prepared by the Secretary of the State Bar, will be accepted.
- b. Petitions must be filed by April 2, 2007.
- c. How to file:
  - i. Petitions may be filed by mail or electronically (PDF only) no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 2, 2007.
  - ii. Candidates who file an electronic copy of a nominating petition must keep the original nominating petition for four years following commencement of the term of office for which the petition is filed. Upon request by the State Bar, candidates must promptly forward the original nominating petition to the San Francisco office of the State Bar.
- d. Filed petitions must include:
  - i. Candidate's printed name, city, county and district for which he or she is running, and an original signature in the space provided on each page filed.
  - ii. Candidate's original signature and original signatures of members signing the petition.
  - iii. In the space provided, page number and total number of petition pages.
- e. Who may sign petitions:
  - i. Any active member of the State Bar, in good standing on the date the eligibility list closes, whose principal place of business is located within a county that is included within the State Bar district in which there is an election may sign a nominating petition for a candidate running for a seat in their district. Each member signing the petition must include their state bar number, printed name and address.
  - ii. Number of signatures required: Twenty signatures of active members of the State Bar, who are eligible to vote in the district.

**4. Candidate Statements**

- a. Types of statements:
  - i. A candidate may submit a 250-word candidate statement to be included with the mailed ballots.
  - ii. A candidate may submit an expanded 500-word statement for posting on the State Bar's Election Web Page.
- b. Please submit a hard copy original as well as electronic version (either disk or email).
- c. Changes/corrections to statements **will not** be accepted after the last date to file nominating petitions (April 2, 2007).

**5. Purchase of Membership Lists**

To purchase State Bar district membership lists you must submit:

- a. Hold Harmless Agreement;
- b. Agreement for Use of State Bar Membership, Eligibility and Voting Lists; and
- c. Any required payment (see payment guidelines) must be received by the State Bar prior to the release of any membership, voter or eligibility list.

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